State of California California California Horse Racing Board

Complaint and Notice to Appear CHRB - 65 (REV. 11/03)

1010 Hurley Way, Suite 300 Sacramento, CA 95825

## **COMPLAINT**

CASE NUMBER: 20SA0080

The CHRB hereby files a complaint against **Baltas**, **Richard** for violation of CHRB Rule **1843**(a)(b)(d),

1843.1(a), and 1887(a). The person named in this complaint holds a license as a TRAINER, license number

232550-05/2022. The offense alleged occurred on or about January 31, 2020 and

is as follows:

The official urine sample #SA31153 taken on January 31, 2020 was reported by Ben Moeller, PhD of the Maddy Equine Analytical Chemistry Laboratory at UC Davis to contain Clenbuterol (15-20 pg/ml). This sample was obtained from the horse Velvet Queen which ran in the 3rd race at Santa Anita finishing 1st. A split sample was requested and confirmed in accordance to 1859.25. The trainer of record is Richard Baltas. Clenbuterol is considered a prohibited drug substance, Class 3, penalty class B.

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Section 19420, 19440, and CHRB Rules, the stewards are empowered to impose penalties for violation of any provision of the CHRB Rules. Such penalties may consist of suspension of any license, fines, and exclusion from all racing enclosures under the jurisdiction of the Board or by any combination of these penalties.

Date: April 2, 2020	Complainant : CHRB
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## **NOTICE TO APPEAR**

To **Richard Baltas** you are hereby notified to appear before the Board of Stewards at the below listed location, date, and time.

Location:	Date:	Time:
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You are entitled to reasonable notice of the hearing and reasonable time to prepare for the hearing. If you need additional time to prepare for the hearing, you must contact the Board of Stewards within 72 hours of receipt of this notice. All requests for a continuance must be in writing. You should be prepared to justify your request for additional time. Granting or denial of a request for additional time is within the sound discretion of the stewards. The hearing will be conducted in accordance with the GOVERNING PROCEDURES FOR HEARING BEFORE THE BOARD OF STEWARDS, a copy of which is attached to this Complaint and Notice to Appear.

Investigator	Date
	April 3, 2020

## DISPOSITION OF CASE

The stewards have taken the following action on CASE NUMBER: 20SA0080		
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